

I support the petition by ARRL in the matter of Novice band redeployment. I would also urge the commission to consider granting all non-voice amateur privileges in the affected bands, rather than just Morse Code privileges. I feel that it would be appropriate to encourage the use of more modern digital modes as well as Morse Code in the newly aligned non-voice bands. There is nothing, after all, to prevent a Novice or Technician licensee from using automated equipment to send high speed Morse, which could actually occupy greater bandwidth than some of the current digital modes.